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MIDEAST-AMIN:

LONDON, OCT. 11, REUTER-- UGANDAN PRESIDENT IDI AMIN TODAY THREATENED TO BREAK OFF DIPLOMATIC RELATIONS WITH THE UNITED STATES AND JAIL ALL AMERICANS IN UGANDA IF THE U.S. JOINED THE MIDDLE EAST WAR, RADIO UGANDA, MONITORED HERE, SAID.

THE PRESIDENT, WHO WAS RECEIVING THE AMERICAN CHARGE D'AFFAIRES, ROBERT KEELEY, SAID HE WAS NOT AGAINST THE UNITED STATES BUT AGAINST THE U.S. POLICY OF INTERFERING IN THE AFFAIRS OF OTHER COUNTRIES.

HE SAID IF AMERICA JOINED THE WAR HE WOULD JAIL ALL AMERICAN CITIZENS, INCLUDING KEELEY, UNTIL AMERICAN FORCES WERE WITHDRAWN, RADIO UGANDA REPORTED.

THE PRESIDENT REITERATED THAT UGANDA WAS SENDING TROOPS TO FIGHT FOR THE ARABS IN THE MIDDLE EAST WAR UNDER AN AGREEMENT WITH THE ORGANIZATION OF AFRICAN UNITY AND THE ORGANISATION OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES.

YESTERDAY THE PRESIDENT TOLD THE EGYPTIAN AMBASSADOR, SALAN EL-DIN MOHAMED SABER, THAT TWO BRIGADES OF MECHANIZED AND AIRBORNE TROOPS ALONG WITH INFANTRY AND THE AIR FORCE WERE READY TO JOIN THE ARAB FORCES IN THE MIDDLE EAST. HE SAID THE TROOPS WOULD BE DISPATCHED "VERY SOON."

THE RADIO SAID THAT AMIN HAD SENT A MESSAGE TO UNITED NATIONS SECRETARY-GENERAL KURT WALDHEIM ASKING HIM TO ARRANGE FOR THE EVACUATION OF NATIONALS OF ALL COUNTRIES.

RADIO UGANDA ALSO SAID THE PRESIDENT HAD TOLD THE CHARGE D'AFFAIRES THAT HE HAD DISCOVERED A HOUSE WHERE THE AMERICAN CENTRAL INTELLIGENCE AGENCY (CIA) WAS TAPPING MESSAGES FROM THE RUSSIAN AND CHINESE EMBASSIES.

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